

Manhattan Tax Day ‘tea party’ draws hundreds of protestors

By Frank Male
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An event planned on a whim brought big results for one K-State student Wednesday.

One night in March, Matt Pennell, freshman in secondary education, decided to set up a Tax Day Tea Party protesting excessive government spending, and a month later, several hundred protesters gathered at the Riley County Courthouse with him.

“I just decided one night to do it and posted it on *taxdayteaparty.com*, and it just went from there,” Pennell said. “The night I decided to do this, I thought that 40 people would be a success.”

Instead, between 300 and 400 people arrived Wednesday afternoon to listen to speeches, hold protest signs and throw tea bags into a stock tank labeled “Boston Harbor.” Kansas Rep. Richard Carlson, R-St. Marys, and Dick Miller, the 2008 Republican candidate for District 67, which includes Riley County, spoke to the crowd.

“We had people from western Kansas, all the way from Hays, to people from the far northeast corner of Kansas,” Miller said.

Each of the organizers emphasized the grassroots nature of the event. There was no sponsoring organization, the planning was low-key and information was spread mostly over the Internet and word of mouth.

“I know Dick [Miller] and worked with him on the election; he saw the announcement on the Web site and called me about it,” Pennell said.

Local residents protested a myriad of recent actions by the federal government, bringing signs, flags and props to make their point.

“I want to send a message to Washington: No more, stop the pork,” said Ron Stupfer, a Manhattan resident who had a large stuffed pig strapped on his shoulder.

Pennell said he is planning more events for the future, as well as setting up a Wordpress blog. Though there is no set schedule, he said he hopes to have another event in June and another on Independence Day.



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Protesters gathered Wednesday afternoon outside the Riley County Courthouse and the Manhattan Post Office to express disdain at government spending.

SGA Senate to vote on cabinet, committee chairs

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Student Governing Association’s Student Senate is scheduled to discuss five pieces of legislation at its weekly meeting to-night, with senators set to vote on all five.

Two resolutions will be to approve the appointments of committee chairs and cabinet members. Two more resolutions will appoint one senator to serve on the Union Governing Board and two senators to serve on the KSDB-FM Advisory Board.

For final action, senators will vote on a resolution to support an increase in Pell Grants.

“From the year 2000 to the year 2008, the maximum Pell Grant amount a student could qualify for increased from \$3,300 to \$4,731, which is only a 43-percent increase,” the resolution reads.

A copy of the resolution will be sent to U.S. Representatives Jerry Moran, Lynn Jenkins, Dennis Moore, Todd Tiahrt and U.S. Senators Pat Roberts and Sam Brownback, among others.

Senators will also commend Andrew McGowan on his selection as a Morris K. Udall Scholar.

Students say more tax on cigarettes not reason to quit

By Rico van Buskirk
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A recent 62-cent increase in the federal cigarette excise tax is cause for many smokers to reconsider the habit. The federal cigarette tax now accounts for \$1.01 of the price of a single pack of cigarettes. Smokers are now paying \$1.80 in taxes to the federal government for every 20 cigarettes they smoke. For some students, that increased tax has been motivation to quit or cut back on their cigarette consumption.

“I buy less cigarettes,” said Mike Donovan, sophomore in construction science. “But I have mood swings when I don’t have a cigarette.”

Many students argue the addiction is too strong to quit simply because of an extra dollar.

“It just requires a rearranging of your budget,” said Emily Santacroce, sophomore in history and English. “It’s also about budgeting your cigarettes.”

There is also a social aspect to smoking that many people say they are reluctant to give up.

“You find smokers are friendly people,” said Zachery Roland, senior in communication studies. “I have met more people sitting in front of the [K-State Student] Union, smoking, than I have in any of my classes or student organizations.”

“I haven’t had the time to look into it, but I want to know if it actually goes to something productive, or if [the tax has] just been increased because the economy sucks. I realize it’s a sin tax, but I would just like to know the money is benefiting a social good.”

While smoking-related health issues might decrease as a result of less smokers,



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ers, critics of the tax claim that a higher cigarette excise tax does not ultimately increase tax revenue, the legislature’s ultimate justification for the policy.

“[An Americans for Prosperity-Kansas] study shows that raising cigarette taxes simply drives Kansas consumers to other states to purchase tobacco products,” said Americans For Prosperity-Kansas state director Derrick Sontag. “It clearly results in lower cigarette tax revenues, not because more people are quitting, but because people go elsewhere to avoid paying those higher per-pack taxes.”

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Greek Idol brings live music, more than 1,000 spectators to Bosco Plaza

Robby Haynes, sophomore in agricultural education and member of Acacia fraternity, performs during Greek Idol in Bosco Student Plaza Wednesday night. Haynes was this year’s winner of the Greek Week competition.



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Nearly 20 K-State greek students shared their musical talents with an audience of more than 1,000 people during Greek Idol in Bosco Student Plaza Wednesday night. The event was part of Greek Week, the greek community’s annual celebration of the organizations through teamwork, spirit and competition.

“It was great to have this many people come out and be excited about the greek community,” said Shawn Eagleburger, assistant director of Greek Affairs.

Justin Bastin, junior in family studies and human services and psychology, was host for the night under the moniker, “MC Skillz that Killz.”

“The crowd was amazing this year,” Bastin said. “The talent was better, too.”

The \$2 admission fee went toward keeping Greek Week self-funded, said Caroline Nyman, sophomore in fashion design and director of interfraternal relations for the Panhellenic Council.

H a y l e y Bratenbach, junior in apparel marketing, started the evening with Martina McBride’s song, “With a Broken Wing.” While this was Bratenbach’s first time performing in Greek Idol, she said she was inspired to participate because her friends had recently dared her to perform karaoke.

Performances varied in number of participants and instruments used. A quartet clad in blue suit jackets and sunglasses went by the name, “No Milk Beforehand” and played “The World Spins Madly On” by the Weepies.

Jeff Lubeck, junior in business administration, and Kyle Cooper, sophomore in life science, incorporated the djembe drum into their performance of “Come on Get Higher” by Matt Nathanson.

To start some audience participation, Ashley Dohrmann, junior in industrial engineering, encouraged

snapping during her rendition of Whitney Houston’s “I Will Always Love You.”

Midway through the 90-minute competition, coordinators announced the results of greek participation in the K-State spring blood drive last week. Kappa Delta and Phi Gamma Delta were the winning houses with 24 percent and 73 percent in-house participation, respectively.

“Greeks made up over one-third of the total donors to the blood drive,” Eagleburger said.

Robby Flack, senior in political science and economics, said he came to the event to enjoy the atmosphere.

“Greek Idol brings the community all together at the same time,” Flack said.

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Split decision



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Parents' divorces still affect students as they enter college

By Elena Buckner
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When someone mentions college, most people picture residence halls, parties, greek life, athletics and perhaps a few classes thrown in the mix. Not many people think about the more serious side of college life.

Many college students, however, deal with struggles as they work their way toward graduation.

One of the most common "life situations" many college students experience is dealing with divorce. Different people handle divorce in different ways, but the fact is everyone who has experienced the fallout of a divorce enters college with some type of reaction to their experience.

Dorinda Lambert, licensed psychologist for Counseling Services, said most people cope well with divorce by finding ways to move on with life. However, sometimes the added stress of college can trigger reactions to issues students consider resolved.

Some students, like Kelsey O'Hara, freshman in electrical engineering, said they are glad their parents divorced. O'Hara's parents split when she was one year old, and she said she believes their decision was a good one.

"Especially as I've grown older, I can see that the only reason they even get along at all is because of me. They

just don't have enough in common to be still married," O'Hara said.

For others, divorce has simply become a fact of life - something that might be slightly unpleasant, but still contributes to that person's idea of "normal" life.

Xander Anderson (name changed for privacy), freshman in civil engineering, said he can hardly imagine a life where his parents weren't divorced.

"They split up when I was eight years old," Anderson said, "so they haven't been together for over half my life. It's just kind of a fact of my life at this point."

Both O'Hara and Anderson feel their parents did a good job of raising them, even though they were not married to each other.

"I'm really thankful for the way my parents went about getting their divorce," O'Hara said. "I think a lot of times parents go about it the wrong way and end up hurting their kids a lot in the process. My parents have always made a point of putting their differences aside and making sure they do what's best for me as their child."

No matter how painful or painless

the experience, Lambert said divorce always colors a person's view of their future relationships.

"Most young people feel invulnerable and want to be independent," she said. "They think they can leave old problems behind them when they go to college, but it's important for them to be able to acknowledge that it's still a part of their life."

O'Hara said she sees this in the way she interacts with her parents, viewing them more as friends than authority figures in many situations. "Especially because my dad was gone a lot of my younger years, I feel like we have a more buddy-like relationship than anything else. Like, I know I could talk to him about anything, but we mostly talk about [the latest episode of] 'South Park'."

Anderson said she has learned at least one important lesson from watching his parents and their divorce.

"I know I want to get married someday," he said, "but I also know I want my marriage to be a lot different than theirs was. I want to get married and not have to get a divorce, I want to learn how to work out any problems instead of just giving up."

"It's important for [students] to be able to acknowledge that [divorce] is still a part of their life."

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CELEBRITY NEWS

OCTOMOM LOOKS TO TRADEMARK NICKNAME

To provide the necessities for her 14 children, Nadya Suleman is now looking to trademark her media nickname and slap it on a range of baby goods.

According to two applications filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by Suleman on April 10, the enterprising 33-year-old is looking for the right to attach her infamous handle to future TV projects, as well as to Octomom-branded disposable diapers and children's wear, including dresses, pants, shirts and textile diapers.

While the filing, which could take up to a year to be approved, set the once cash-strapped Suleman back \$825, her looming series is no doubt hinging on the request's approval, which seeks to use the name for "entertainment in the nature of ongoing television programs in the field of variety."

"Yes, it is official," Suleman told Life & Style. "What I'm do-



Suleman

ing with this TV show is basically creating documentaries about the lives of my children. It's going to be an ongoing thing, and it will follow them from now until they are 18."

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CASTRO FINALLY GETS RECORD DEAL

Jason Castro has become the latest American Idol alum to score a record deal.

Last season's dreadlocked fourth-place finisher - and long-suspected self-saboteur - has inked a deal with Atlantic Records to release his debut album later this year.

The laid-back 22-year-old, who edged out David Cook and Brooke White last year to become the first Idol contestant ever to play his own instrument on stage, will be teaming with a slew of credible collaborators, among them Idol's newbie judge Kara DioGuardi, on his untitled debut.

DioGuardi has worked her chart-topping prowess on

past Idol contestants like Kelly Clarkson and Carrie Underwood.

Castro will also be enlisting the songwriting services of Martin Terefe, who has helped Jason Mraz and KT Tunstall climb the charts, and Sacha Skarbek, who did the same for Adele and James Blunt. Jonas Brothers mix master John Fields will produce the album.

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CARUSO STALKER CONVICTED, COMMITTED

Days after getting slapped with a nasty lawsuit by his ex-girlfriend, David Caruso is getting some good news.

An Austrian court on Tuesday convicted the woman who wrote more than 120 letters to the "CSI: Miami" star, threatening to murder him for declining to give her an autograph.

Per the Austrian Times, Judge Günther Böhler of the main court of Innsbruck sentenced 42-year-old Heidimarie Schnitzer to seven months in



Caruso

prison followed by a yearlong stint in a mental institution.

When asked by the judge what she was thinking when she threatened to kill the 53-year-old actor, his daughter Greta and ex-girlfriend Liza Marquez, Schnitzer blamed the Web.

"It said in the Internet that every fan gets an autograph, and I wanted one as well. But the threatening was just meant as a joke. I only wanted to attract attention," she told the court.

Schnitzer, an Austrian native, disappeared shortly before her trial was to start in April 2008 and went on the lam until being collared in Mexico last month and deported back to her home country.

Earlier, a court-appointed psychiatrist testified that Caruso's No. 1 fan had a personality disorder, including "strong narcissistic and antisocial characteristics," and warned that she was capable of victimizing the actor again and others, unless she received at least a year of therapy.

Schnitzer's attorney, Andreas Grabenweger, has appealed the judge's ruling. Caruso's stalker caught a bit of a break, as she could have received three years in jail.

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LIFE OF AN AWKWARD GRAD STUDENT

Church volleyball gets intense



ADAM
REICHENBERGER

On Monday, I helped the Methodists win the 2009 Christian church volleyball championship in Manhattan. It was intense.

The thing is though, I'm not even Methodist. I really didn't even know how I got on the team. But there I was in the middle of a team of middle-aged adults and one of their 14-year-old daughters. I didn't belong at all. But there I was.

We had beaten the other two Methodist teams and the Lutherans to get where we were. Next up was the Catholics. Everyone knew this would be a good game. Those Catholics are a tricky bunch. They have quite a few hitters, and while we slaughtered them in the season, they were easily our biggest competition. The whole Christian nation showed up to watch this one: the Lutherans, the Nazarenes, the other Methodists and whatever Crestview Church is - all of them had someone there watching.

Needless to say, it lived up to the hype. Fights and yelling matches broke out as we battled through a third game to determine the match's winner. The score keepers and line judges threatened to walk out. I was just really confused the whole time. It was church league volleyball, after all.

I also kept quiet because I was raised Catholic, so if I were to be on a team based on my faith, it probably would be the Catholics; I still wear their cross around my neck. I felt like Adam Banks out there and I could almost hear the taunts of "Cake eater" coming from the benches. I was just waiting for Bombay to come over with a map of District 5 and end my run with the Methodists. But no one knows where Emilio is these days.

Push came to shove, and we came out on top - the Methodists that is. Seems like we won, right? No, no. It was a deviously designed double-elimination tournament so while everyone else had lost, we still had to wait around to play the winner of the losers' bracket. I HATE the losers' bracket.

Follow me now. Fourth-grade pinewood derby. I had this stream-lined, cherry-red babe of a car with fire-breathing-dragon decals on the side. She was gorgeous, just gorgeous. I would have taken her to the prom if she wasn't made of wood.

Well, I smoked the competition all the way up to the championship race where some joker comes out of the losers' bracket to beat me. I still display that second-place trophy as a constant reminder that the kid cheated. How else could you explain it?

Losers' bracket: stupidest idea ever.

So the Catholics won, and we were set to play them again. Why not? This match was much more low-key. There weren't any fights or even any disputed points; it was kind of boring. It came down to another tie-breaker, but this time they won.

So there we were, it's nearing 11 p.m., and this carefully crafted bracket has us playing the Catholics yet again. Those dang Catholics.

Match 3. You could cut the tension with a bone-saw. Sweat pools were collecting on the court. My deodorant had worn off a few games ago, so the stench was just sitting in the air, floating in our faces, choking us. The older people were falling asleep and the 14-year-old was bouncing off the wall worrying about a test in the morning.

Again, we split the first two and went to a tie-breaker. I wasn't lying when I said it was intense.

Through setters and strife, we came out on top. The trophy was ours.

We had successfully embarrassed all other denominations.

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Recording customer service calls can be quite effective



JASON MILLER

I'm so fed up with sales representatives' lack of assistance over the phone that I've recently began my own trickery. While waiting for a representative to take a call, we all hear the same warning that the call is being recorded for customer service training. This is doing us no service, however, because customers do not have access to such recordings, so I suggest you record the conversation as well. By placing a digital recorder next to the phone's speaker, you are fully able to capture exactly what is said during a call. This simple action saved me more than \$150, which paid for the cost of the recorder and then some.

Customer service calls almost always revolve around a problem with billing. Thus begins the endless dance. The first representative is usually competent and understanding, and after listening and sympathizing with my explanation, he or she pounds on the keyboard and says adjustments have been made. When the call ends, there is a sense of accomplishment and pride that my company took such care in ensuring my problem was properly handled.

All was well until the next bill was opened, and I find the changes hadn't been applied at all. To add insult to injury, the company then charged me late fees for the portion that was unpaid the previous month.

Yet another call must be made to customer service. However, this customer service representative informed me that all charges are legitimate and must be paid immediately. When I disagreed, I was put on hold and transferred to someone else. As the cell phone minutes dwindled, I started to think that it would have been less stressful to pay the bogus

charges and go about my day.

In this case, I was placed on hold and transferred for about 40 minutes. I was repeatedly told that nothing could be done, but I explained that I was recording the call, just as I had the first call. I politely explained I had no problem sending a copy of the recording to the company via e-mail so employees could verify I had indeed been told the billing adjustments had been made, and very quickly the tone of the conversation changed.

I was told a manager would call me directly and less than 10 minutes later



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the phone rang. Miraculously it could all be worked out; not only that, but I received additional credit for my time and their "computer mishaps." I ended the call and finally felt triumphant with a customer service agent. I checked the bill one month later, and things were fine.

Many customer service representatives have fallen into a trap of saying what they must to make the customer happy and get them off the line, many times neglecting what was promised.

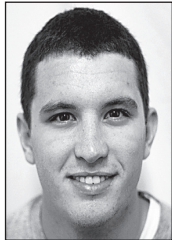
Do yourself a favor and look up the company online. Find out what terms

their employees use, and be sure to record their response to each question on the phone. The ability to speak to them using the correct terms will ensure there are no areas of your bill you can be duped on. As a member of the "broke-college-kid" class, I hope this offers assistance to others who are battling questionable practices.

Who knew all they needed was a taste of their own medicine?

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Ron Paul campaign offers valuable lessons for Republicans



TIM HADACHECK

Ron Paul is an oddity in American politics. The long-time Republican representative from Texas has run for president twice but under the banner of two different parties and 20 years apart. During one period of his 2008 Republican campaign for president he raised nearly \$20 million – more than any of his primary opponents. In a game in which money is everything, his fundraising power should have turned into votes. But despite this apparent support, he finished in a distant fourth-place among Republican nomination contenders.

This week, Paul is making noise again, calling on Congress to use a power that it has not wielded since the War of 1812. He wants to grant private citizens "Letters of Marque and Reprisal," which would pay them to arm and hunt down the Somali pirates, thereby saving the U.S. Navy time and money. Like many of his small-government proposals, this has garnered praises from many conservatives.

In the 2008 election, Paul's libertarian ties obviously struck a tone with some Republicans who felt the Bush administration didn't live up to its party's core values. So why didn't he earn more votes? And what can we learn from Paul to apply to future elections?

First, Paul was not the right vehicle for the messages he promoted. Campaigns are largely about personalities, not policies. Despite embodying popular values, Paul's character and age were just not right for the national stage. It's true Republicans eventually nominated the 72-year-old John McCain to be their nominee, but he came off more

as a kindly grandfather while Paul was more like a crazy old uncle. This contrast was especially stark as it became obvious that the Democrats were going to nominate the charismatic Barack Obama.

Not all of Ron Paul's values were popular. He was strongly opposed to the Iraq War and was the only 2008 Republican presidential candidate who had voted against it. He is also strongly opposed to the Patriot Act and in favor of withdrawing from the U.N. and NAFTA.

Perhaps Paul's biggest problem is the fact that he was really more of a Libertarian than Republican. At the core of their values, most Republicans have some libertarianism in them, so Paul was certainly able to appeal to those basic beliefs. But Republicans are a different party for a reason, and these differences were probably just too much for most conservatives to stomach.

A large part of Paul's success as a presidential candidate was his ability to raise money through grassroots fundraising efforts on the Internet. On Nov. 5, 2007, a Paul

Web site raised \$4.2 million in a single day. But it's not clear that Paul completely understood how crucial the Internet would be in his campaign initially.

"My idea was, you had to have someone who was a super expert, who knew how to find people," Paul said about his campaign to the New York Times in 2007. "But they found us." It seems that Paul's popularity online was more of an accident than his own doing.

But certainly there are lessons we can learn from Paul. He was the first Republican to really use the Internet effectively, something that future campaigns must do to win.

There are policy lessons, too. Prior to the last election, the Republican Party was no longer the party of small government. Perhaps we needed Ron Paul to remind us of Republicans' true place in the American political spectrum.

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Nobody cares about Greek Olympics. We want our stadium back.

To the muscular guy in Kramer with the red shorts: My roommate and I think you're hot. Let's meet.

Tell Dominique Sutton and Jacob Pullen that seeing them made my day today.

To whoever found an accounting book at Salsarita's: Please return it. Think about karma.

Chance York, why do you follow me around?

No, no, no officer, you don't understand. There's a difference between pooping out the window and pooping in an egg carton and throwing it out the window.

Professor Green, what type of rhetorical fallacies would I have to inflict upon you to get you to leave your wife for me?

Everyone should come to Old Stadium Friday at 6:30 to watch K-State women's soccer kill KU!

To the hot girl in the yellow at the bowling alley Tuesday night: We should hook up and go bowling at the same time.

I'm so thirsty I could drink my contact solution. I'm convinced that stuff's just water anyway.

My friend just got so excited about calling the Fourum she did a victory dance and then hit her head on her bed.

Hey Fourum, we just had an intelligible conversation about you. Congratulations, it may be the first

and only.

Hey Rodney Longboarder, I still think you're really cute and hope it doesn't scare you that I found your name out.

Diana, I happen to think diabetes is really hot. And no, I'm not your boyfriend.

So I've only ever eaten Stride gum with the wrapper on it. Am I going to die?

Revengeful Santa.

To the girl that has blond hair and ADD in my human development class on Thursdays: Please shut up.

To the guy who I was playing tonsil hockey with in my parking lot on Friday: Can we please endure that awesome game once again?

I finally met Morphy Morph, and he morphed my world!

My roommate just nailed some dude on his bike with her wizard sleeve.

The only guys who get laid less than fat, funny guys are fat, serious guys.

Who the hell has \$93?

Really, Fourum? The whole week?

Brown chicken, brown cow!

There's a skier on Katy. Walk it off.

Happy birthday America!

Hey Fourum, we've only called eight times. Will one of them make it?

To the guy who hasn't had sex in 105 days: You want to end your dry spell?

I love racey. Yahtzee!

I lost the game.

I hope everyone is finally happy, Janet.

To the guys in the big red truck who nearly hit me this morning: I pulled an all-nighter with no caf-

feine. My fault.

I happen to enjoy my rain boots. They are in style. You must have missed the memo.

Denison Hall was the only thing on this campus uglier than myself, and it definitely looks better at the bottom of a landfill.

This is to Melisa Posey: I think you probably entered Star Parker's discussion with your mind already made up about her, so maybe next time you should go in with an open mind.

To the dudes whose trucks say "Women like big pipes": We do, just not yours.

Hey KC farm boy: I don't care if you're rich or not, I'm just looking for a farm boy any time.



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Randy Rogers Band gives loud, rousing performance at Wareham

By Frank Male
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Randy Rogers and his band continued the Texas music invasion of Manhattan with an electrifying performance Wednesday night at the Wareham Opera House. From the opening chords of “Somebody Take Me Home,” a song covered by Kenny Chesney on his “Road and the Radio” album, to the end, the Randy Rogers Band kept the crowd excited and looking for more.

After 80 Proof and Fat Dixie performed, promoting their respective new CDs, the KXBZ-FM 104.7 radio crew introduced the Randy Rogers Band to a near-sellout crowd, earning the band a rousing ovation. The band’s unusual combination of rock ‘n’ roll rhythms with country instrumentation stood out.

“I had never heard of the band, but they’re good, with a good beat,” said Velora Penick, Manhattan resident. “They are more rock – I don’t go to country concerts ever.”

The performance also marked the second “red dirt country” band to come to the Wareham this year after a nearly decade-long hiatus of public concerts at the downtown landmark. KatHouse Lounge invited Cross Canadian Ragweed for a two-night gig in February and is considering sponsoring future events at the Wareham.

“I really got the idea [to bring in Randy Rogers] from the Ragweed show,” said Longhorns Saloon owner Patrick Shannon.

Though nothing is finalized, Shannon said there might be performances during the fall semester in the Longhorns Concert series at the venue.

Union Program Council and KatHouse are both also considering sponsoring events at the Wareham.

“We are always looking to have events around the community,” said



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Randy Rogers sings during his band’s performance at the Wareham Opera House on Wednesday night.

Ben Hopper, UPC program adviser.

“We’re hoping to have a few events over the summer,” said Shannon Collins, security organizer at Wareham and partial owner of KatHouse.

Country artists Robert Earl Keen Jr. and Pat Green have recently agreed to play at the Wareham and are considering performance dates, Collins said. In addition, KatHouse is actively searching for a comedian to appear at the venue.

“I think [the Wareham] is an intimate atmosphere like Longhorns ... it is kind of cool,” said Jessica Lockhart, senior in elementary education.

Percussion ensemble offers Cuban, African touches in spring concert



Sara Manco | COLLEGIAN

Ashley Maughlin, graduate student in music, leads **Michael Sturd**, sophomore in music; **Dean Linton**, senior in applied music; and **Brian Anderson**, senior in music education and mathematics, in “Mosaic” during the K-State Percussion Ensemble’s concert in McCain Auditorium on Wednesday night.

By Shelton Burch
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Booming drums and shrill bells filled McCain Auditorium as the K-State Percussion Ensemble presented its spring concert Wednesday night.

The ensemble, which is directed by Kurt Gartner, associate professor of percussion, performed eight pieces using a variety of instruments including xylophones, vibraphones, triangles and several types of drums.

The first piece began with performers entering in pairs from the two doors on the side of the stage, as well as from the public seating area.

Stephen Buntain, freshman in athletic training, said he enjoyed the entertainment aspect.

“It was interesting how they started with people in the audience and had the music come together on stage,” Buntain said.

The performance then continued with guest conductor Ashley Maughlin, graduate

student in music, conducting “Mosaic,” as well as several pieces without a conductor.

The show also featured a variety of musical styles, including a traditional Cuban song called “Santeria Salutes.” The piece was performed in two movements with traditional African Bata drums.

Buntain said he enjoyed the performance as a whole, especially since he is a former percussionist himself.

“I just like to listen to percussion music,” Buntain said, “especially higher-level stuff like this.”

Jeff Heiman, sophomore in computer science, said he thought the concert overall was a success.

“I thought it was pretty good,” said Heiman.

Before the last piece was performed, Gartner showed his appreciation to the audience.

“Time is a precious commodity,” Gartner said, “so we’d like to thank you for spending some time with us.”

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Discussion of true diversity includes values, not hate

Editor,

To be diverse is to have differences, yet be inclusive. It is not diverse to eliminate discussion over issues because someone might be offended or disagree. It is not diverse to refuse funding to an organization based on their political beliefs. It is not diverse to refuse funding based on the fictional premise that an organization is hateful because they disagree with fundamental principles that they believe are important.

The Diversity Program Council did the right thing by providing College Republicans with funding to host guest speaker Star Parker. In Melisa Posey’s guest column, she did everything but say that we, as College Republicans, are a bunch of insensitive hatemongers. Upon reading her article, I really wondered if people believed we were hatemongers because we do not like to see people living in poverty, we do not like to see women going through the traumatic process of an abortion, we do not like people having to live in crime-infested neighborhoods and we do not approve of people being oppressed by their own government. If these are qualifications for being hatemongers, then I believe that we, as a university, need to have a discussion about it.

DOUGLAS SHANE
SOPHOMORE IN ANIMAL SCIENCES AND INDUSTRY
PRESIDENT, KSU COLLEGE REPUBLICANS

Parker offers good example for success after difficulties

Editor,

It disappointed me to read such narrow-minded rot in the Collegian on April 15, and it saddened me to see someone so utterly unhappy in a society that is so “open-minded.”

The article and its content are no more than proof that the attitude of “political correctness” has infested our society so deeply that its foaming bite has infested the heartland of the United States.

Star Parker began at the lowest tiers of today’s society and, by means of good decisions, a high moral standard and work ethic, pulled herself out of poverty’s trap. Explain to me what is wrong with Ms. Parker facing her former bad decisions and vowing to live a better, self-sufficient life? What is wrong with her success? What is wrong with her refusal to use race and hardship as a crutch in life? What is wrong with her living by Christian standards? Seems to me that today’s society looks down on all these things, and in such a social atmosphere is not the epitome of diversity.

Ms. Parker does not judge those who are where she used to be. On the contrary, she offers a good example of how to overcome hardship in a good, decent and productive way. She doesn’t condemn those on welfare; she is a living example of how to overcome. She doesn’t condemn those who have killed their children; she lives with her decision, knowing the grace of forgiveness.

Perhaps we could anticipate an upswing in our society’s moral decay if we all followed more examples such as Star Parker, rather than making weak-minded excuses for the unwise decisions of our past and expecting such an “anything goes” attitude. At the end of the day, is “open-mindedness” nothing more than one’s inability to live by, and stand accountable for, what is right and wrong?

I wasn’t able to attend the lecture but was able to meet Ms. Parker at a benefit reception before she spoke and can testify to the graciousness and decency of her manner.

I trust that Ms. Posey will find herself understanding with my distaste in her article.

TRAE D. RICKFORD
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Barefoot walk to raise awareness for shoeless children

By Tyler Sharp
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A national footwear company will have a promotional booth and barefoot walk today to raise awareness for children who are in need of shoes.

TOMS Shoes will be in Bosco Student Plaza from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The barefoot walk will start at 4 in Bosco Plaza and end in City Park. A cookout will follow the event at the park.

The campaign by TOMS Shoes strives to help prevent the spread of podoconiosis, a dis-

ease also known as elephantiasis when it occurs in the feet and legs. Those affected by the disease suffer deformity, intense pain and are treated as outcasts from society, according to a press release distributed by K-State campus intern Ashley Kracht. The disease is 100 percent preventable by wearing shoes.

"We are asking that people go barefoot on April 16 to represent the millions of kids around the world who are still in need of shoes," Kracht, sophomore in fine arts, stated in the press release.

Blake Mycoskie founded TOMS Shoes in

2006 on the premise of "one for one." The company gives a pair of shoes to children in need for every pair that is purchased.

Kracht said the company intrigued her after first hearing about it.


"I loved the fact it was such a simple cause - giving shoes and giving kids their life back," she said.

Barefoot walk participants will be asked to text "PLEDGE" to 75309 in order to record the total number in attendance. For each walk participant, the band Hanson will donate \$1 to TOMS Shoes.

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Student examines feminism, friends in ‘Sex and the City’

By Gloria Funcheon
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

While the title of the HBO series “Sex and the City” might seem self-explanatory, the friendships between lead women Carrie, Miranda, Charlotte and Samantha provided an opportunity for one K-State student to critically examine feminism.

Kellie Meehlhause, graduate student in English, said she decided to come to K-State because of the English department’s emphasis on cultural studies.

“For as long as I can remember, I’ve been interested in looking at things from a feminist perspective,” she said.

Meehlhause said she found “Sex and the City” as a different way to examine feminism because of its popularity. She said she initially wanted to write about the sexual politics of the series, but found herself more drawn to the women’s friendships with each other.

When researching, Meehlhause discovered that most critical feminists’ analyses of the series glossed over the female friendships.

“The women were able to embrace their lifestyles because of their friendships with each other,” she said. “They were able to discuss their experiences with each other and could talk about whatever without restraint.”

Meehlhause described this bonding as representative of social networking and collective consciousness emblematic of second-wave feminism.

To collect data for her paper, Meehlhause said she watched “hours and hours” of the show.

“I had some episodes already in mind,” she said. “It was just a matter of going back and finding specific scenes.”

Meehlhause had an opportunity to share her research at the Southwest Texas Popular Culture Association conference in February. She said she was surprised at how responsive people were to her presentation.

“People were entering into a conversation with me and sharing their own perspective of the show,” she said.

At the suggestion of colleagues, Meehlhause said she also has decided to expand her research of gender relations through a comparison of male friendships in HBO’s series, “Entourage.”

Through the use of popular media, Meehlhause said she hopes to inspire interest among others to examine feminist issues.

“You don’t have to be a scholar to be a feminist,” she said.

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Manbeck's midweek musings



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In honor of the late Pete Goering, who spent nearly 40 years covering sports for the Topeka Capital-Journal as both a columnist and editor, this week I'm trying it Goering's way, who wrote his famous "midweek musings" for years with the Capital-Journal.

•Thursday conundrums while wondering if this is the year we see a Chicago Cubs vs. Kansas City Royals World Series ... hey, it could happen.

•Is it too early for Royals fans to start scoreboard watching? After all, they currently sit in a first-place tie atop the American League Central with a 5-4 record. Only 153 games to go...

•Kudos to the architects and the construction crew who helped renovate the "new" Kauffman Stadium. They found a way to blend the new with the old while retaining the special qualities the stadium possesses.

•Thursday conundrums while thinking Royals general manager Dayton Moore may regret spending \$9 million over two years on Kyle Farnsworth. The right-handed reliever has now taken the loss in two of the Royals' four defeats and has allowed six earned runs during those two appearances. The rest of the Kansas City bullpen has allowed just three earned runs in the Royals' first nine games.

•Thursday conundrums while watching the Royals lose 5-4 to the Cleveland Indians at Kauffman Stadium, wondering when Dippin' Dots is going to become the ice cream of the present and not the future.

•Will the Kansas City Chiefs be better off trading Tony Gonzalez if they can get a second-round pick for the upcoming NFL draft? Atlanta is rumored to be interested in the long-time Chiefs tight end and may part ways with its 55th pick in the draft to get a deal done.

•Thursday conundrums while thinking the return of Cole Aldrich and Sheron Collins might make KU the early favorite to win the 2009-10 men's basketball national championship.

•Think the departures of little-used Quintrell Thomas and Tyrone Appleton had something to do with the possibility of the Jayhawks landing Xavier Henry, one of the nation's top recruits ... still available?

•Thursday conundrums while thinking how far the K-State baseball program has come. Coach Brad Hill has the program ranked in Baseball America for the first time in program history and has his Wildcats off to their best start ever.

•Speaking of how far that program has come, how far has K-State starting pitcher A.J. Morris come? The former high school All-American had a career ERA of 4.95 going into this season, but currently leads the Big 12 with a 1.19 ERA and has already tied the school record for victories in a season with nine.

•Thursday conundrums while thinking the Wildcat football team will at the very least be fundamentally sound this season in all aspects.

•One thing is for sure, there is a renewed sense of urgency among the Wildcat football players.

•Wonder how the Virginia special teams are looking?

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What a shock



Nathaniel LaRue | COLLEGIAN

Wildcat catcher **Rob Vaughn** rounds third on his way home during the Wildcats' 4-3 win against Wichita State in Wichita on Wednesday night. The Wildcats will look to continue their winning streak this weekend against Missouri.

Cats sweep Shockers for 1st time since 2005

By Blake Thorson
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The No. 21 K-State Wildcats (28-9, 7-5 Big 12 Conference) swept the Wichita State Shockers for the first time since 2005 with a hard-fought 4-3 victory Wednesday night.

Coming off one of the biggest series wins in the Brad Hill era against No. 15 Texas A&M, K-State showed no signs of being weary after battering the Shockers Tuesday night in Manhattan, and hung on Wednesday to sweep Gene Stephenson's pesky squad in Wichita.

The story of the night for the Wildcats was playing small-ball, capitalizing on Shocker mistakes and solid pitching from top to bottom.

Junior starter Ryan Daniel gave the Cats a much-needed quality outing as he went five innings, giving up three runs on six hits while striking out a career-high six. Daniel picked up the win to push his record to 2-1 on the season.

The Cats looked as though they might run away from the Shockers again

early on as they tallied single runs in the second and third innings and one a piece in the fifth and sixth innings to take a 4-0 lead.

The second inning run came courtesy of a walk by sophomore Jason King, a single by senior catcher Rob Vaughn and an RBI-groundout by senior outfielder Jordan Cruz. The damage in the third came after a leadoff single by senior Dane Yelovich, who proceeded to swipe second and third base and score on an RBI-groundout by freshman Nick Martini.

In the fifth, K-State extended its lead with two hits and junior Justin Bloxom capitalized after a 2-out Shocker error, driving a single through the left side to score sophomore Carter Jurica.

An inning later, the Cats chalked up one more run in unusual fashion as they scored on two hits, a walk and two batters who were hit by pitches. The second hit-by-pitch came with Jurica at the plate and scored pinch-runner Mike Kindel.

Daniel, after throwing more than 70 pitches of no-run baseball through five innings, struggled in the sixth as two sin-

gles and an error chased the junior right-hander from the mound. Freshman Evan Marshall came on for the second time in as many nights and surrendered a run on a wild pitch and another on a clean single to cut the Wildcat lead to 4-3.

However, the Shockers only got one runner into scoring position the rest of the evening as relievers James Allen and Thomas Rooke stifled the Wichita State bats for three innings.

Rooke came on with one out in the ninth and proceeded to balk the runner to second base. However, he recovered and got a foul-out and finished off the Shockers with a strikeout on three pitches. It was the sophomore left-hander's second save on the year.

No Wildcat hitter recorded more than one hit but the Cats did steal four bases, including two by Yelovich, who leads the Big 12 with 17 on the season.

The Cats will now travel back home for a crucial series with the Missouri Tigers (18-19, 6-9 Big-12) over the weekend. First pitch is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday at Tointon Family Stadium.

Track and field squads head to KU, Louisiana, California

By Justin Nutter
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Members of the K-State track and field team got a chance to make their presence felt all across the country last week. They took advantage of the opportunity, winning four event titles and capturing five regional marks in three separate meets.

The Wildcats will get a chance to do the same this weekend as they return to split-squad action. Athletes will participate in three differ-

ent meets, including the Kansas Relays in Lawrence; the LSU Combined Event in Baton Rouge, La.; and the Mt. SAC Relays in Walnut, Calif.

Most of K-State's participants will travel to the 82nd-annual Kansas Relays, presented by in-state rival Kansas. The three-day meet will take place at KU's Memorial Stadium. The Wildcats will be led by senior thrower Loren Groves. Groves, an All-American and NCAA Indoor Championships participant, has already accumulated four region-

al marks and three individual titles during her final outdoor campaign. She will compete in the hammer throw today at 4:30 p.m.

While the majority of the Wildcats will remain in the Sunflower State, three specialists will take part in the LSU Combined Event, presented by Louisiana State. In the women's competition, junior Stephanie Hejde will participate in her first heptathlon of the outdoor season. On the men's side, sophomore Adam Fretwell and freshman Mantas Silkauskas will compete in the

deathlon.

Junior distance runner Beverly Ramos is the only K-State representative who will make the trip to California for the 51st-annual Mt. SAC Relays, presented by Mt. San Antonio College. The Puerto Rico native will compete in the 10,000-meter run for the first time in her collegiate career.

All three meets are set to begin today. The Kansas Relays will conclude on Saturday, while the LSU Combined Event and the Mt. SAC Relays will wrap up on Sunday.

SPORTS BRIEFS

THOMAS TO WORK FOR FREE IN 2009-10
Here's a sign of how badly Isiah Thomas wanted to return to coaching: He's working for free at Florida International.

At his introductory news conference at FIU on Wednesday, Thomas said his salary the first year from the Golden Panthers will be donated back to the school's athletic department.

Thomas was fired by the New York Knicks last year. The team still owes him around \$12 million for the final two years of his deal there.

FIU athletic director Pete Garcia said that when Thomas learned about layoffs and budget cuts, he told the university president that the school should keep his salary.

—ESPN.com

DUKE OFFERS PAULUS CHANCE TO PLAY
Since Greg Paulus appears serious about making the transition to college football this fall, Duke coach David Cutcliffe is willing to have the former Blue Devils point guard in for a tryout.

Just not at quarterback. Cutcliffe said Wednesday he's told the 6-foot-1-inch, 180-pound Paulus, a standout quarterback in high school who just finished his fourth year of basketball at Duke, that he could try out for a spot at inside receiver in Duke's last six spring practices.

Cutcliffe said he and Paulus "talked extensively" about the possibility of Paulus joining the football team, but the bottom line was there was "no way" he could come out and try to play quarterback for the Blue Devils after such a long hiatus from the position.

—ESPN.com

TOP PITCHERS HEADING TO DISABLED LIST
Boston Red Sox right-hander Daisuke Matsuzaka went on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday with a mild right shoulder strain after his second straight poor start to open the season.

Matsuzaka didn't make it to the second inning Tuesday night against the Oakland Athletics, giving up five runs and five hits on 43 pitches. After going 18-3 last year, Dice-K is 0-1 with a 12.79 ERA this season, yet another worry for manager Terry Francona during his club's unimpressive start.

Also, the St. Louis Cardinals have placed pitcher Chris Carpenter on the 15-day disabled list, one day after he had to leave a game with a pulled left rib cage muscle. Carpenter missed virtually all of the last two seasons with injuries.

—ESPN.com

Students: Greek Week suffers from timing

By Rico van Buskirk
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

More than 3,000 students are involved with Greek social organizations at K-State. Greek organizations are famous for their spirit and pride in their chapters and their participation in each others' events, but participation in Greek Week activities pales in comparison to other events, such as homecoming.

Students said the lack of strong participation in Greek Week activities might have a lot to do with the busy schedules many students have in the spring.

"Timing is the biggest problem with Greek Week," said Sam McCord, senior in physical sciences and member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. "It's spring. It's late in the semester and it's hard to motivate people to participate. Greek Week doesn't get as much attention as homecoming and other events."

In addition to the scheduling conflicts many students have to contend with, the continuity of Greek Week is also an issue with many members of the greek community.

"Continuity is really one of the biggest overall problems with Greek Week," said Justin Bastin, junior in psychology and family studies and human services and president of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. "If we had things going on continuously it would be easier for us to participate. Also, it seems like [Greek Affairs] changes the schedule every year."

McCord said he questions the need for a week-long schedule of events.

"Greek Week could be replaced by a really big mega-event," McCord said. "A one night all-greek event that included Greek Idol and some of the other events followed by a social event — like a cookout — would be a great improvement."

McCord said this would be an easy way for many people to attend because



Lisle Alderton | COLLEGIAN

Students wait for the beginning of the Greek Olympics Tuesday evening in Memorial Stadium. The event was part of Greek Week, which traditionally sees low participation.

they could mark that single night on their calendar and plan accordingly.

A significant change this year dealt with the make-up of the teams. In the past, teams were comprised of 3 to 4 fraternity and sorority chapters that competed against other assortments of chapters. This year, teams are made up of members of individual chapters.

"Homecoming is more about the university; Greek Week is about celebrating being Greek," said Shawn Eagleburger, assistant director of Greek Affairs and Panhellenic Council adviser. "It's a celebration, not a competition."

Megan Dirks, junior in marketing and modern languages and president of Delta Delta Delta sorority, agreed.

"There's not a lot of support between the houses," Dirks said.

Many chapters said they have concerns with the dissemination of information about the week's events.

"Not knowing what and when the

events are until two weeks ahead of time was a problem," Dirks said. "We have senior week going on right now. So on top of trying to honor our seniors, we're also trying to participate in Greek Week."

Bastin also said most chapters do not really know the details and requirements of events.

"A lot of girls bought a T-shirt thinking that was the way to get [into the events]," said Dirks "If we knew these things ahead [of time], that would be really good."

In the past, Greek Affairs has required participants to purchase and wear T-shirts in order to gain entry to the events. This year and last year, smaller, less expensive trinkets have been used to identify participants for entry.

"Last year, we sold buttons. This year, we're selling wristbands. We are selling less expensive items to increase participation," Eagleburger said.

Fort Riley to present military food history symposium at Hale

By Jason Miller
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Fort Riley and Hale Library are sponsoring an event today that shows the history of food in the military.

The event, "Hardtack to MREs: A Military Foodways Symposium," will begin with breakfast at 9 a.m. in the Hemisphere Room at Hale Library, followed by two presentations. At 9:30 a.m. a presentation called "British Rations during the 18th Century" will be given by Douglas Cubbison, a military historian. Colonel George Dilly, the Army's head dietitian, will present "Making It Fresh: 21st Century Dining in the Army" at 10:30 a.m.

"This is an excellent chance for students to stop by, learn a little about army life and to get acquainted with some of their soldier counterparts," said Daryl Youngman, associate professor of Hale Library.

Youngman said this is one of many partnerships Hale and Fort Riley are working on.

After the speakers, attendees are invited to adjourn to Coffman Commons to view a field kitchen and dining tent manned by Fort Riley personnel at 11:30 a.m.

The library's partners at Fort Riley are providing the mobile kitchen, known in the military as an "MKT" These will be displayed in the area outside of the Sunflower entrance to Hale.

The culinary team manning the tent, led by Chief Warrant Officer 4 Travis Smith, recently placed second in the U.S. Army Culinary Arts Competition at Fort Lee, Va.

This event is open to the public.

"This symposium, sponsored by the K-State Libraries Center for the Cookbook, brings together an interdisciplinary group of undergraduate and graduate students, scholars, military personnel, industry professionals, and others who share an interest in the history of food as it relates to the military experience," said Roger Adams, associate professor at Hale.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Alltel representative responds to criticism in Collegian column

Editor,

This is a response to Jenene Heavey's opinion article Wednesday. I've worked for the Alltel call center for two years and thought a counterpoint would help clear some things up.

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5K run to promote African fair trade awareness

By Elizaveta Zheganina
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Fair Trade Awareness: Africa's Sustainability, Together, a 5K "run for a reason" organized by K-State students and sponsored by the Episcopal Church Student Group, plans to promote fair trade awareness and raise money to support community projects in Kenya.

Valerie Stull, graduate student in public health; Courtney Held, junior in dietetics and public health nutrition; and Kiera Evans, campus ministry intern with the Episcopal Campus Student Group, have organized "FAAST: Run for a Reason" to increase the impact of their Kenyan mission trip this summer.

While the event's primary purpose is to raise money for Comfort the Children International, a Kenyan organization cooperating with K-State, the run is also meant to increase awareness about fair trade issues.

As Stull and Held were making plans for their upcoming summer trip, Held said she contemplated fundraising, which could also raise awareness about Africa's sustainability efforts.

"Courtney had a brilliant idea of organizing a run," Stull said. "[This is] a great way to bring the community together to do something that is a healthy exercise for a reason."

The event is scheduled at 9 a.m. April 26 at Bosco Student Plaza. The individual registration fee is \$10 and teams of three can register for \$25. While registration at the event is planned to start at 8 a.m., early registration is available at www.faastfunrun.wordpress.com.

During FAAST, participants will also be able to buy canvas bags made by women in Maai Maai-hiu, Kenya, who learned to sew from the K-State



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Kiera Evans, campus ministry intern with the Episcopal Campus Student Group; Courtney Held, junior in dietetics and public health nutrition; and Valerie Stull, graduate student in public health, talk with Mark Haub, associate professor of human nutrition, signs up for the 5K FAAST run the women have organized.

extension team last summer. Stull said these women, who have either mentally or physically disabled children, had no previous employment until CTC set up a sewing shop for them.

"Thanks to CTC, there is also a school next door to the sewing shop," Stull said.

The bags, which support fair trade and Kenyan business, are priced at \$12 and have "This is not a plastic bag" written on the front in Swahili.

The women are paid \$1.50 for each bag they produce, which accounts for approximately 120 Kenyan shillings. While an average Kenyan makes less than \$2 a day, these women, producing 20

bags per day, earn \$30 as a group daily. Since 10 women work in the shop, their individual daily income averages \$3, which puts them well above the average wage in Kenya.

Another component of FAAST is a social justice fair, organized to raise awareness about fair trade and similar causes supported by various K-State student groups. The fair, which features environmental, agricultural, social action and other student organizations, is scheduled to take place at Bosco Plaza.

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310 Help Wanted

MEDICAL CLINIC seeking a part-time IT person to assist with computer, hardware, software and networking issues. For more information please contact the administrator at **admin@twhg.net.**

RILEY COUNTY has several positions for Seasonal Laborers. 40 hour work week at \$10.19 per hour. Valid driver's license and the ability to lift 70 lbs is required. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. Experience in construction, concrete work, asphalt maintenance, traffic flagging, tree and turf maintenance, or mowing is preferred. Applications are available at the Riley County Clerk's Office, 110 Courthouse Plaza, Manhattan, KS or online at **www.rileycountyks.gov.** Applications will be accepted until all positions are filled. Riley County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

SKATEBOARDERS AND PAINTBALLERS WANTED: Camp Wood YMCA looking for Paintball Director and Skateboard Director for summer of 2009. Must be enthusiastic and a positive role model. Contact Jill at 620-273-8641 or **ymca@campwood.org.**

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310 Help Wanted

TEXTBOOK ADOPTIONS Coordinator- Varney's Book Store in Aggieville is seeking a full-time textbook adoptions coordinator. Position will be responsible for securing necessary textbook and instructional software requirements for students. Must have excellent communication skills, experience with various software and database programs and possess a familiarity with university requirements. Supervisory experience preferred. Benefits include health, dental, life and 401(k). Pick up application or send resume with references to: Human Resources, 623 N. Manhattan Ave., Manhattan, KS 66502.

VIDEO PODCASTER: K-State media relations has a part-time opening this summer for a student to do interviews for video podcasts. Up to 20 hours/ week. Solid interview techniques, strong communication skills, and professional demeanor a must. Podcaster will use Sony XHA1 camera and edit in Final Cut Pro. See examples at **http://www.k-state.edu/media/audio/podcastindex.html.** Apply at Media Relations, 9 Anderson Hall, between 8- 5. Bring DVD of video projects. Applications accepted until position is filled.

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150 Sublease

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300 Employment/Careers

310 Help Wanted

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310 Help Wanted

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Answer to the last Sudoku.

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